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March 7, 2016

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Ms. Velveta Golightly-Howell, Director U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Office of Civil Rights 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW Washington, D.C. 20460-1000

RE: EPA File No. 13R-16-R4, EPA Acceptance of Administrative Complaint Notice

Dear Ms. Golightly-Howell:

The Alabama Department of Environmental Management ("ADEM") received your notice of Acceptance of Administrative Complaint ("Notice") for investigation in our office on March 1, 2016. This letter serves as our request for essential information necessary for us to be able to respond to, rebut, or deny the allegations referred to in the Notice.

As of today's date, ADEM has not received from EPA a copy of the Administrative Complaint referred to in the Notice. Additionally, the Notice contains a footnote that makes a general reference to an issue that David Ludder raised in August 2013. Without having a copy of the Administrative Complaint as received by EPA and without clarification and detailed specifics regarding the issue "...David Ludder raised in August 2013", ADEM does not have the necessary information to be able to respond to, rebut, or otherwise deny the two issues identified for investigation as set forth in the Notice.

Please provide us this information at your earliest convenience and stay the tolling of the thirty day deadline for our response to the Notice until such time we receive the requested information.

If you have any questions concerning our request, please do not hesitate to contact Shawn Sibley, ADEM Office of General Counsel, at 334-271-7855.

Sincerely,

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Director

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